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TAGS: MARR, UK, SN

SUBJECT: FIVE POWER DEFENSE ARRANGEMENT

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1. DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY SNEIDER BRIEFLY DISCUSSED
WITH UK MINISTER SYKES OUR VIEWS ON CONTINUATION UK PRESENCE
IN SINGAPORE AS SETFORTH IN REFTEL.

2. SYKES FAMILIAR WITH OUR VIEWS AND IMPORTANCE WE ATTACH
TO CONTINUATION OF AT LEAST NIMROD SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM
AND THE ANZUK BASE. HE PERSONALLY WAS NOT SANGUINE ABOUT
PROSPECT FOR CONTINUED UK PRESENCE IN SINGAPORE. HE CON-
JECTURED THAT FINANCIAL PRESSURES WOULD LEAD TO DEFENSE
BUDGET CUTBACK WITH EUROPEAN COMMITMENTS RECEIVING PRIORITY
OVER ASIAN COMMITMENTS. BUT HE EMPHASIZED THAT NO FINAL
DECISION HAD BEEN MADE AS YET. SISCO

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